



General Assembly

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***Proposed Bill No. 5535***

LCO No. 1569

Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:

REP. WARD, 86<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. BELDEN, 113<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. FLAHERTY, 68<sup>th</sup> Dist.

REP. CAFERO, 142<sup>nd</sup> Dist.  
REP. FREY, 111<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. HEAGNEY, 16<sup>th</sup> Dist.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE SPECIAL EDUCATION EXCESS COST  
AND EQUITY GRANTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 10-76g of the general statutes be amended to eliminate
- 2 the equity grant in subsection (c) and revise subsection (b) to lower the
- 3 threshold for the excess cost grant from five times to three times the
- 4 average per pupil educational cost of the school district. It is further
- 5 proposed that if a town, as a result of such changes, would receive less
- 6 funding for special education than it received for the previous year
- 7 that the reduction to such town be phased in over a five-year period.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To reduce a town's responsibility for the costs of special education to three times the average per-pupil cost of education in the town and to eliminate the special education equity grant. If a town would receive a reduced grant based on the changes, to provide that the reduction be phased in over a five-year period.